

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 15-16, 18-21, 23-24, 26-27, and 29-36 are pending. Claims 1, 23, 27, and 31 are being amended. Claims 3-14, 17, 22, 25, and 28 were previously canceled. No new matter is being presented. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 15, 16, and 18-21.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 1-2, 23-24, 26-27, 29-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as not being directed to statutory processes.

Independent claims 1, 23, and 27 have been amended to recite, “in a video processing apparatus, calculating ... .” In addition, independent claim 31 has been amended to recite, “in a video processing apparatus, determining ... .” (Emphasis added throughout.) As amended, each of independent claims 1, 23, 27, and 31 now recite that one or more operations are performed in a “video processing apparatus.” Accordingly, these claims are tied to a particular machine, and are thus directed to statutory subject matter. In addition, dependent claims 2, 24, 26, 29, 30, and 32-36, by virtue of their dependencies, are also directed to statutory subject matter.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw these rejections.

Conclusion

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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